

LAKE SABBATIA (Taunton)

General Information:

This 237-acre warm water lake has an average depth of nine feet and a maximum depth of 30 feet. The bottom is predominantly mud and aquatic vegetation is heavy along the entire shoreline and all of the coves. Roughly three quarters of the shoreline has been lost to residential development.

Lake Sabbatia is located on the southern edge of the Hockomock Swamp and is bordered in part by Watson State Park. The lake has excellent access in the form of a paved launching ramp off Bay Street. Shoreline fishing is possible at the boat ramp, along Bay Street and along Scadding Street

Fish Populations:

The general fish population was most recently studied during a 1978 summer survey. Nine species were collected: largemouth bass, chain pickerel, yellow perch, pumpkinseed, black crappie, bluegill, white perch, brown bullhead and golden shiner. Also present today are northern pike.

Fishing:

This lake offers good fishing for an assortment of warm water fish. Both of the gamefish species display above average growth rates. The individual fish were healthy and robust, and there were numerous examples over legal size. The panfish are abundant and should provide good fishing. Ice fishing for chain pickerel and yellow perch should be very productive.

Northern pike were stocked here in 1985 and 1987. Survivors should now weigh more than 10 pounds and be well beyond the minimum length of 28 inches.